## St Stephen's Announcements Jan 11-17 2024

- Giving Envelopes are here! If you did not pick yours up in church, they will be mailed this week.
- January Newsletter now available. A few copies printed will be on table in the church for those without computers.
- Rev. Allison changed office hours between January and May: Rev. Allison will be in the office on Mondays (except holidays), Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Not on Thursday as she is empaneled on a Grand Jury in Bisbee on Thursdays for 4 months.
- 13 January Second Saturday Supper: 6:30pm Join us for supper out at Native Grill and Wings for a time of fellowship and feasting. Address 3950 Martin Luther King Jr Pkwy, Sierra Vista, AZ 85635. Menu can be found at this link: <u>https://nativegrillandwings.com/menu/generalmenu/</u>. Invite a friend to join us.
- **21 January Sunday ANNUAL MEETING:** Be sure to come to church Sunday at 10am for the combined annual meeting and worship. This will be followed by a **Mexican Food potluck** in the Parish Hall with a "build your own Taco" Bar. Rev. Allison will use the sermon time to deliver the "State of the Church" address and present the 2024 church budget. New vestry elections and gratitude recognition.
- **26-27 January New Vestry Retreat** for all vestry members in Parish Hall. Friday 26<sup>th</sup> 5:30 pm to 8pm. Saturday 8am to 2pm.
- January 23<sup>rd</sup> One day only, "A Case for Love", a movie featuring Presiding Bishop Rev. Michael Curry, in theaters. Closest movie theater showing the movie is in Tucson. Only two showings on that day. We will try to get the DVD video for a future viewing at the church.
- First Friday Film Night We will attend the Season 4 Showings of "The Chosen" at the movie theater at the mall in Feb and March. Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> 4:40pm Episodes 1-3, Feb 16<sup>th</sup> 4:50pm Episodes 4-6, March 1<sup>st</sup> 3:50pm Episodes 7-8. Tickets online or at the theater. Can get all 8 episodes for \$30 when purchased at the same time.
- Rev. Allison attending the Diocesan Priest Retreat Feb 5-7 at Chapel Rock.
- 13 February Pancakes and Sausage Shrove Tuesday Supper. 5pm to 6pm in Parish Hall.
- 14 February Ash Wednesday. Services at 9:30am and 6pm. Lent starts early this year.
- **23 February 6pm Professional Pianist John Nilsen in concert** at St. Stephen's in the Church. Free will offering and wine/sparkling soda/hors d'oeuvres reception to follow.
- Please continue to drop off your aluminum cans and pull tabs We will continue to take to Animal Shelter to donate for them.

## Coming Up:

- Want to be Baptized? Confirmed? Received into the Episcopal Church? Just Curious about Episcopal Church stuff? Episcopal 101 classes to start after Easter... Learn how the Episcopal Church expresses its faith in Jesus, its practices, beliefs, and organization in 6 one hour-long classes on starting April 20<sup>th</sup> Saturday mornings 9am to 10am in Parish Hall w/coffee and snacks. These will prepare anyone who desires to be baptized, confirmed, or received:
  - Baptism for those who have not been baptized at any age,
  - Confirmation for those who were baptized as children but who are now wanting to make an adult confirmation/affirmation of your faith in Christ.
  - Reception into the Episcopal Church for those from other denominations and were already baptized and confirmed in a different denomination.